

SKOKIE PUBLIC LIBRARY



July & August 2019



Friends & Neighbors

SUMMER READING 2019

There's still time to have an awesome summer of reading, learning, and fun. Sign up at the library, on the bookmobile, or on the website, through August 11, and start earning badges. Anyone with a Skokie Public Library card can participate.

Wear Your Progress

Get your lanyard and ID card when you sign up. Get your t-shirt when you complete your first badge. From there, you have many options! For every badge you earn, you'll have another cool button to show off, a sticker to add to our wall, and another entry for one of the bonus prizes.

Summer Reading Finale Celebration

Celebrate the end of summer reading with an afternoon of fun activities! Wear your summer reading t-shirt for our group picture at 2 pm. Drop-in event for all ages.

Sunday, August 11, 1:30-3 pm

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Monday to Friday, 9 am to 9 pm
Saturday, 9 am to 6 pm
Sunday, noon to 6 pm
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FOR ADULTS

World Film and Discussion

I Am Not a Witch

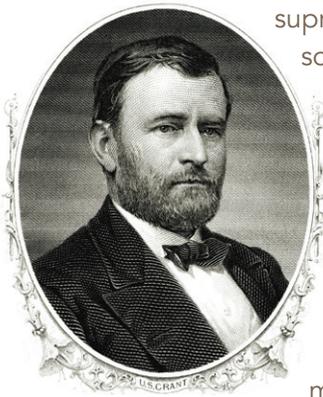
Monday, July 8, 6:30 pm

A Man Called Ove

Monday, August 5, 6:30 pm

Ulysses S. Grant and Political Violence in the South

Historian Kate Masur discusses the struggle for voting rights following the Civil War. She explores white supremacist political violence and why it was so hard to stop. The Fifteenth Amendment was ratified in 1870. It allows the federal government to step in when states deny American citizens the right to vote based on "race, color, or previous condition of servitude." That amendment was quite difficult to enforce, as white southerners resorted to fraud, intimidation, and extreme violence to stop black men from voting or to make sure their votes did not count.



Tuesday, July 9, 7–8 pm

The Zero-Waste Mindset

The average person in the United States sends 4.4 lbs of trash to the landfill every day. This presentation provides tips on reducing waste while saving money and improving your health.

Monday, July 15, 7–8 pm

We don't need a handful of people doing zero waste perfectly. We need millions of people doing it imperfectly.

—Anne Marie Bonneau

Deluge and Drought: Using Rain Water Gardens

In this presentation, learn ways to manage rainfall on your property through the use of rain gardens. LEED Platinum Certified landscape designer Julia Bunn of the Spirited Gardener will talk about how to solve problems such as basement water seepage and sidewalk puddling using cisterns, rain barrels, permeable pavers, and garage green roofs. Participants are encouraged to bring in photos of specific water problems to discuss.

Thursday, July 18, 7–8:30 pm



WE KNEAD BREAD: INJERA

Injera is a sourdough flatbread you may want to add to your baking repertoire. Learn about the meanings and traditions of this Ethiopian bread. Participants will make a flatbread to bake at home. Materials are provided. Limited to 30 participants. Children younger than 8 must be accompanied by an adult.

Tuesday, July 23, 6–7:30 pm

Reverse Mortgages: What the Ads Don't Tell You

Learn how reverse mortgages work. Presented by Kelli Dudley, who teaches housing law and predatory lending law at the DePaul University College of Law. This workshop features an explanation of the FHA-insured Home Equity Conversion reverse mortgage program. Learn how reverse mortgages can affect estate planning and how you can protect yourself from predatory lending practices.

Thursday, July 25, 7–8:30 pm



**State Services:
Drop by to Get Answers***
*Mondays, 4–6 pm,
July 1 and August 5*

ESL Café*
Wednesdays at 12:30 pm

Meditation*
*Mondays at 7 pm,
July 8 and August 5*

**Knit and Crochet
All the Way***
Tuesdays at 4 pm except July 2

**Low Vision
Support Group**
*Tuesdays at 1:30 pm,
July 9 and August 13*

Introduction to Yoga
*Thursdays at 1:30 pm,
July 11 and August 8*

Career Action Group*
*Thursdays at 3 pm,
July 18 and August 1 and 15*

**Great Decisions
Discussion Group***
Wednesday, July 24 at 7 pm

Savvy Skokie Seniors*
*Thursdays at 11 am,
July 25 and August 22*

**Write On! A Skokie
Writers Group***
*Mondays at 7 pm,
July 29 and August 26*

Go Green Discussion Group
Thursday, August 1 at 11 am

**Drop-in Event*



Learn Magic Tricks: A Workshop

Magic is not just for kids. Join professional magician Gary Kantor for an interactive workshop in which you will learn clever card tricks, mind-reading, and much more. Whether you want to trick your friends or entertain the family, you'll leave this workshop ready to amaze everyone with your new skills. Limited to 35 participants.

Thursday, July 25, 7:30–8:30 pm

Turn a Good Idea into a Great Business

The Business Model Canvas is a tool used to define and communicate a business idea or concept. It is used by businesses of all sizes, from startups to large companies. This workshop will explain each of the nine parts of the Business Model Canvas and how to begin making a preliminary plan. Presenters from SCORE will examine the challenges presented by traditional business plans.

Monday, August 5, 6:30–8 pm



EXPLORING MIXED MEDIA ART

Mixed media involves various mediums and techniques such as paint, paper, decoupage, stamping, and stenciling. Join artist Michelle Helm for an evening of making art. Limited to 15 participants.

*Tuesday, August 6,
6:30–8:30 pm*

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We strive to make events welcoming for people of all abilities. To request accommodations, call the library at 847-673-7774.

Learning on a Budget

Many free tools teach technical and business skills and can help with certification and assessment exams. Get an overview of library tutorial databases in this presentation. Learn about Lynda.com, online training tools, and MOOCs (massive online open enrollment courses) that can help you get the training that you need.

Wednesday, August 7, 7–8:30 pm

The Printed Poster

The printing press is among the greatest human inventions. Since the early 1500s the printed word has been used to share important information and tell stories. We will learn the basics of letterpress printing and use antique wood type and metal type to print two posters as a group. Come with your ideas and your passion, and wear old clothes. Limited to 12 participants.

Thursday, August 8, 6–8:30 pm

Digital Tools for Nature Enthusiasts

In this workshop, learn about resources to help you identify plants and animals, as well as opportunities to participate in citizen scientist programs. Limited to 15 participants.

Tuesday, August 13, 7–8 pm



HOORAY FOR BOLLYWOOD: LET'S DANCE

Join Deepthi Chiruvuri, program director at Bolly DanceFit, for a fun and interactive workshop filled with easy to learn Bollywood moves. Comfortable shoes and clothing recommended. Limited to 30 participants.

Thursday, August 15, 7–8 pm

Archaeology and the 1893 World's Columbian Exposition

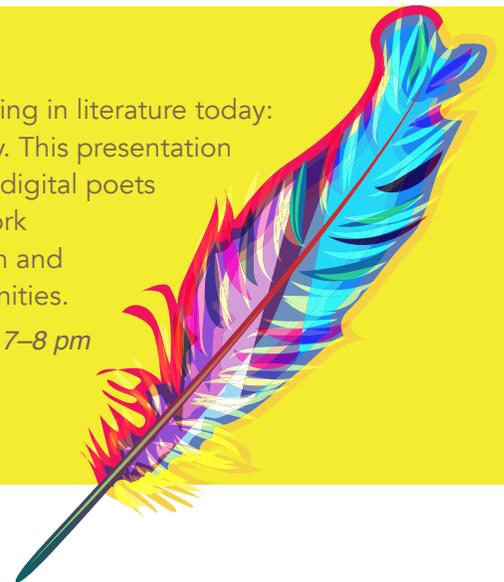
Learn about archaeological and archival findings related to the ephemeral "White City" and Midway Plaisance of the 1893 Chicago World's Fair. Scholar Rebecca Graff will speak about her research on the results of an excavation in Chicago's Jackson Park. These results revealed the fair's extensive sanitary infrastructure, as well as delicate plaster remains of the fair's Ohio State Building.

Monday, August 19, 7–8:30 pm

Digital Poetry

Explore what's trending in literature today: online art and poetry. This presentation will explore modern digital poets and artists whose work permeates Instagram and other online communities.

Thursday, August 22, 7–8 pm





Mollie's War: WACs and World War II

Author Cyndee Schaffer discusses the role of women in the military during World War II. She focuses on her mother Mollie's experiences as a member of the Women's Army Corps (WAC). Learn about the steps taken by women who followed soldiers stationed in Europe, and get a glimpse of how to write a memoir about a family member.

Monday, August 26, 2–3 pm

Brief History of Sampling In Popular Music

One of the most popular musical innovations of the past 50 years, sampling is the process of borrowing elements from one recording and using them in a new one. In this presentation, we'll look at the history of sampling, from its origins in experimental music of the 1940s to its role in creating some of the biggest pop hits of today.

Monday, August 26, 7–8 pm

We Knead Bread: Cornbread

Learn about the history and traditions behind cornbread. Cornbread is a tasty American classic that you may want to add to your baking repertoire. Participants will make a mini-bread to bake at home. Materials are provided. Limited to 30 participants. Children younger than 8 must be accompanied by an adult.

*Tuesday, August 27,
6–7 pm*



MAKING POSITIVE CHANGE IN OUR COMMUNITY

Are you interested in having meaningful conversations about issues that separate us from others in our community, including race, gender, and cultural differences? Do you want to find ways to support those who experience prejudice and oppression? Are you ready to take action to make Skokie an even more welcoming community?

Skokie Public Library is a member of Skokie Cares, which is sponsoring SEED (Seeking Educational Equity and Diversity) training during the 2019–20 school year, for people who live, work, or have children who currently attend school in Skokie. In three-hour monthly sessions, you will learn about systems of oppression, power, and privilege that operate within our society. You will take part in thought-provoking exercises and discuss video clips and readings. Come to be challenged, enlightened, and changed.

Complete the online application at skokiecares.org by July 15. Spaces are limited.

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KIDS & FAMILIES

Storytimes

Mondays

(except August 29)

Summertime Rise & Shine

3-6 years

10:30-11 am

Wednesdays

Together Time and Stories

0-23 months

9:30-11:30 am

Fridays

(except August 23 and 30)

Twos Adventures

2 years

10:30-11 am

Saturdays

Weekend Storytime

Kids of all ages

10:30-11 am



Scrapbooking with Friends

Bring a friend or make a friend while building scrapbooks of your favorite memories. Please bring your photos and memories. Scrapbooking supplies provided. Drop-in event for children ages 6 and up. Children younger than 8 must be accompanied by an adult.

Monday, July 8, 4-5:30 pm



Family Yoga

Try out beginning yoga for children and accompanying adult. Each session is limited to 30 participants. Participants are encouraged (but not required) to bring their own yoga mats. Please register using the child's name and note adult caregivers as guests.

Thursdays, July 11, 18, and 25

Preschool Edition: 10-10:45 am

Ages 6-11: 10:45-11:30 am



Ballet Basics

A dancer from Salt Creek Ballet will introduce children to ballet warm-ups, equipment, and simple dance steps. Drop-in event for ages 3–6.

Thursday, August 15, 1:30–2:15 pm



BUILD YOUR OWN ADVENTURE: CARDBOARD FORTS

Create your own giant structures using cardboard boxes. Limited to 20 children ages 6 and up. Children under the age of 8 must be accompanied by an adult. Please register for only one session.

*Saturday and Sunday, August 24–25
Several sessions each day—see details on the website*



BLOOMBOX



Through August 18

This summer, the BOOMbox is going green. Each week we'll focus on a related BLOOMbox topic and explore concepts related to gardening, botany, and ecology with a variety of hands-on activities. We're also getting outside by teaming up with our teen volunteers to cultivate a small garden in the South Courtyard.

Families welcome. Children younger than 8 must be accompanied by an adult.

DROP-IN TIMES Ages 6 and up

- Mondays 2–8 pm
- Tuesdays 2–8 pm
- Wednesdays 2–8 pm
- Thursdays 2–8 pm
- Saturdays 12–6 pm
- Sundays 12–6 pm



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►►► *For a full list of events, visit the website at www.skokielibrary.info*

LIVE PERFORMANCES



Into the Woods Jr.

Enjoy this adaptation of the Sondheim and Lapine musical based on classic fairytales. The show is performed by the Skokie Park District's Teen Summer on Broadway Camp. For all ages.

Two performances on Monday, July 1, 2 or 7 pm



MARK VALENTI: PIANO RECITAL

This recital features the evolution of piano styles, from the elegance of classicism to the passions of romanticism, through the impressionism of Debussy to the rhythmic percussiveness of modernism.

Sunday, July 14, 3-4 pm

Summer School Musical

Enjoy an original story capturing the hearts of teen musical theater lovers. The show is performed by the Skokie Park District's Teen Summer on Broadway Camp. For all ages.

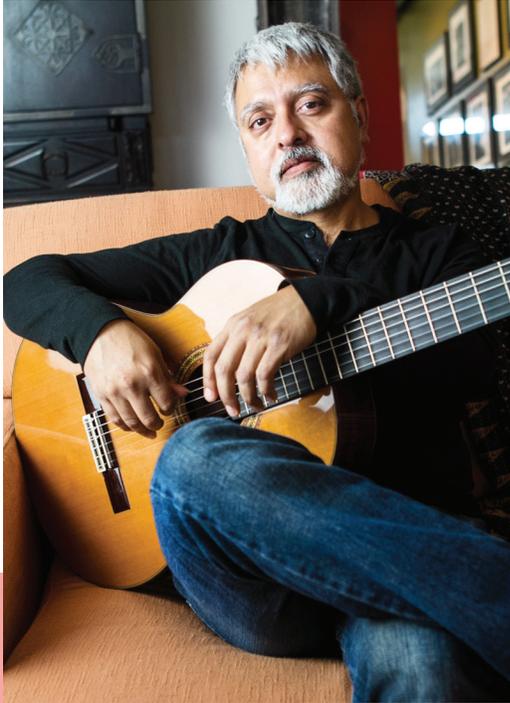
Two performances on Tuesday, July 30, 2 pm or 7 pm



A Midsummer Night's Dream Teen Theater Performance

Join us for a teen-led production of William Shakespeare's passionate, hilarious play involving fairies, foolish mortals, and a queen bewitched by a donkey. Appropriate for ages 8 and up. Performed by an ensemble of local teens, this production is presented in partnership with Northlight Theatre.

Thursday, August 1, 7 pm or Friday, August 2, 7 pm



Fareed Haque and AnDréa James

Spanish Gems *for* Soprano and Guitar



Fareed Haque and AnDréa James bring guitar and voice together in ways that are ancient but never old. The concert brings fresh life to traditional folk and classic art songs from their upcoming album. Fareed Haque is a modern guitar virtuoso steeped in classical and jazz traditions. His unique command of the guitar and musical styles inspire his musical ventures with tradition and fearless innovation. He is joined by AnDréa James, soprano, whose versatile and expressive voice has been enjoyed in operatic, oratorio, choral, and folk performances throughout the U.S. and Europe.

Sunday, August 11, 3–4:15 pm

Wednesdays on the Green

Enjoy free family entertainment every Wednesday at 7 pm on the Village Green next to the library.

Details: Wednesdaysonthegreen.com

*Free tickets for performances are distributed
30 minutes before the performance begins.*

TECHNOLOGY



Google Docs for Beginners

This hands-on class introduces Google Docs. Learn to create documents, share, save, download, upload, print, and more. Basic mouse skills and a Gmail account are required. Limited to 11 participants.

Tuesday, July 9, 6–7:30 pm or Saturday, July 13, 10:30–11:30 am

Using Your Phone as a Camera

Smartphones have changed the way we capture, edit, and share images. Learn tips for improving the quality of your smartphone photos in this hands-on class. Get an overview of simple photo editing applications. Please bring your smartphone to class, or try one of our iPads. Limited to 10 participants.

Thursday, July 18, 1–2:30 pm

Advanced Photoshop Elements

Take your Photoshop Elements skills to the next level by learning to enhance your digital photos using layers, cloning, and content-aware fill in this hands-on class. Sample images can be provided, but you are encouraged to bring your own. We recommend that you take the Photoshop Elements for Beginners class before registering for this one. Limited to 4 participants.

Friday, July 19, 2–3:30 pm

Writing Code for Microsoft Excel 2016

Take your Microsoft Excel skills to the next level in this workshop. Learn how to use and make macros, and write code to automate steps. You will also learn about VBA, the basic programming language of Microsoft Excel. Familiarity with Microsoft Excel 2016 required. Limited to 11 participants.

Monday, July 22, 7–8:30 pm

Get Started with Google Calendar

Organize tasks and plans with Google Calendar. In this workshop, you will learn how to create a calendar and post events, share calendars with friends, set reminders, and more. We recommend having a Google account and a basic familiarity with Google applications. Limited to 11 participants.

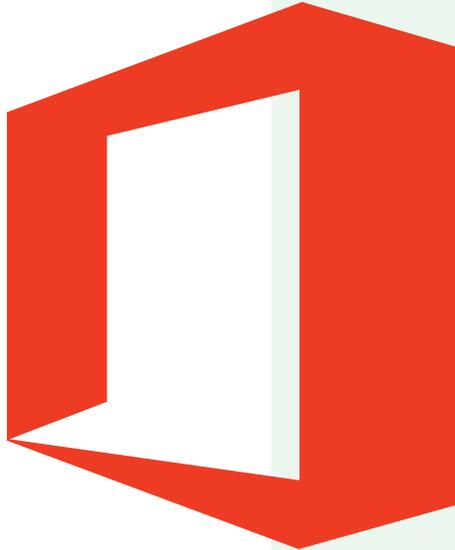
Monday, July 29, 6–7 pm



Microsoft Excel 2016: Keyboard Shortcuts, Tips, and Tricks

In this workshop, learn best practices and increase your efficiency working with data and spreadsheets with keyboard shortcuts and other tips. Knowledge of and familiarity with Microsoft Excel 2016 required. Limited to 11 participants.

Thursday, August 1, 6–7 pm



Microsoft Word 2016 for Beginners

Learn the essentials of Microsoft Word 2016 in this hands-on workshop. The class includes how to create, save, and print documents, and how to insert bullets and pictures, change fonts, and more. Basic mouse and keyboard skills are required. Limited to 11 participants.

*Saturday, August 17,
10:30–11:30 am*

DATING WEBSITES

Explore the world of online dating as we review top dating websites and learn how to create a profile. We will also discuss safety tips in this hands-on class. Limited to 11 participants.

Thursday, August 8, 7–8:30 pm



The Power of Learning with YouTube

There's a YouTube tutorial for that! In this workshop, learn how to use YouTube to find videos and music, and how to find resources for teaching yourself new skills. Limited to 11 participants.

Tuesday, August 20, 6–7 pm

Google Photos

Learn how to use the free photo sharing and photo storage service from Google. Back up, edit, and organize your photos using this tool. A Google account is highly recommended. Limited to 11 participants.

Wednesday, August 28, 7–8:30 pm

Get & Transform with Microsoft Excel 2016

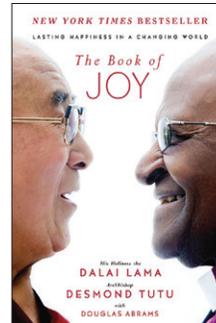
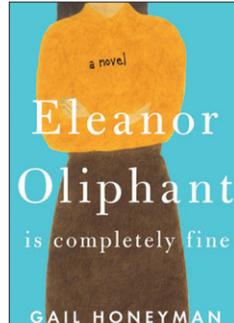
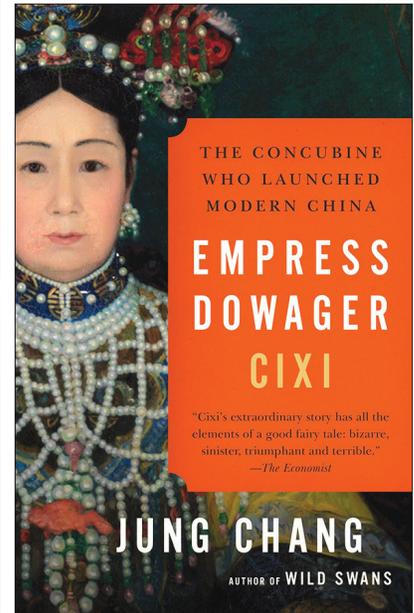
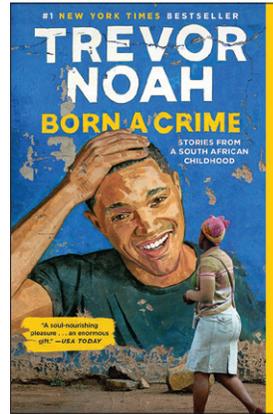
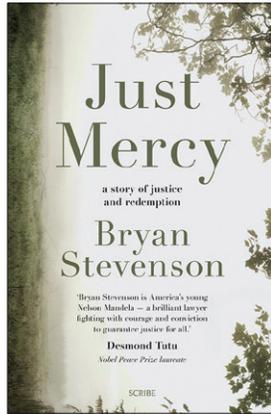
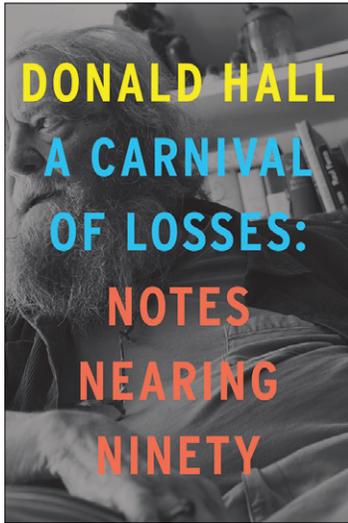
Get & Transform is a useful function in Microsoft Excel 2016 that allows you to take large amounts of data from different sources and transfer it elsewhere. In this workshop, learn how to transform data to meet your needs. Familiarity with Microsoft Excel 2016 required. Limited to 11 participants.

Monday, August 12, 7–8:30 pm

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**BOOK
DISCUSSIONS**

LitLounge

Held at Village Inn,
8050 Lincoln Avenue

Born a Crime

by Trevor Noah

Wednesday, July 10, 7:30 pm

Adult Book Discussion

The Martian Chronicles

by Ray Bradbury

Tuesday, July 16, 7 pm

**Just Mercy: A Story of
Justice and Redemption**

by Bryan Stevenson

Tuesday, August 20, 7 pm

Talking Books

Discussion Group

**A Carnival of Losses: Notes
Nearing Ninety**

by Donald Hall

Wednesday, July 24, 1:30 pm

**Eleanor Oliphant Is
Completely Fine**

by Gail Honeyman

Wednesday, August 28, 1:30 pm

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Better Together Book Club

**The Book of Joy:
Lasting Happiness
in a Changing World**

by Dalai Lama, Desmond
Tutu, and Douglas Abrams

Thursday, July 25, 7 pm

Pages through History

**Empress Dowager Cixi:
The Concubine Who
Launched Modern China**

by Jung Chang

Wednesday, August 28, 7 pm